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News of Petersburg

Times-Dispatch Bureau,
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Petersburg, Va., July 3.

An unknown negro was shot and instantly killed late last night by W. A. Williams, a watchman in the employ of the Seaboard Air Line Railway. Early yesterday evening the negro was seen in the yard of the Seaboard Air Line and was warned that he was trespassing and was told to get off the property of the railroad company. Later he was seen to enter a caboose of a northbound freight train on the main line, but was frightened away before he could get anything.

Watchman Williams became confident that the negro contemplated robbing the caboose of the next train that came through the city, so he got aboard this train and went to Chester, returning to Petersburg in the caboose of the southbound freight, which he caught at Chester. His idea was the correct one, for as soon as the train got to Petersburg and the conductor had left his caboose, the negro entered through the door, behind which Williams was standing, and started to go through the clothes of the trainmen. Williams pointed his pistol at the negro, telling him that he was under

morrow, unless some one comes forward to claim the body.

Joint Session Held.

A joint session of the Council and Board of Aldermen was held last night for the purpose of electing four members of the School Board, a fire commissioner and a police commissioner. The term of the present members expires on July 1. Dr. W. E. Harwood, Hulcher S. Seward, L. A. Andrews and L. J. Andrews, the incumbents were re-elected members of the School Board; B. B. Jones was re-elected member of the police commissioners, and Walter A. Williamson was elected fire commissioner to succeed Merlemer Williams, who declined re-election.

Flag Raising.

Virginia Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. of this city, will present Melway Public School in Prince George County with a flag and a Bible to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. The Bible will be presented by Rev. L. C. Moore, of this city, and T. Gray Hudson, of Richmond, will present the flag. A band of music will be in attendance, and other interesting exercises will be held.

Ernest Hogwood, employed on the improvements which are being made at the store of Sol Cooper, corner of Sycamore and East Tabb Streets, was seriously injured this evening by being knocked off a ladder by an iron girder which was being placed in position. He was taken to the hospital, and an examination showed he was injured about the body and legs. Hogwood is from Richmond, having been in Petersburg only a few weeks.

Old Dominion Council, No. 5, Jr. O. U. A. M., at a meeting last night elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Councillor, Walter A. Williamson; vice-councillor, David L. Riggan; recording secretary, William H. Wilcox; deputy recording secretary, James H. Alfred; financial secretary, N. C. Willis; treasurer, Charles W. Bowie; conductor, James M. Saunders; inner sentinel, L. W. Andrews; outside sentinel, James H. Wells; trustee, James W. Wells; representative to grand lodge, James H. Wells, W. A. Williamson.

Briefs and Personals.

There will be no formal observance of the Fourth in Petersburg other than the closing of banks and Federal offices. The majority of the merchants will close their stores, and picnics generally are announced.

Dr. M. L. Gatewood, who has been resident physician at Petersburg hospital, left yesterday for New York, where he will take a special course for eye, ear and throat.

Lee Mayes and Miss Ella Vaughan, of Chesterfield County, were married by Rev. F. W. Moore at his residence Wednesday evening.

The Spanish war veterans, colored, Department of Potomac, will hold their annual convention in this city to-morrow.

James A. Rivers, a highly esteemed young man, died last night at the residence of his uncle, J. R. McLaughlin, in Ettrick.

A telegram received here to-day from A. P. Hill Camp, Confederate Veterans, stated that the veterans would leave Gettysburg this evening on their return trip.

TRIAL OF BANKERS BEGINS NEXT WEEK

Bowles and Lafoon Will Be Brought to Bar in Superior Court.

CHARGES ARE SERIOUS

They Are Alleged to Have Falsified Their Reports and Records.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Raleigh, N. C., July 3.—There was a lengthy conference this morning between the members of the North Carolina Corporation Commission and So-

litor H. E. Norris and Hon. Franklin McNeill, relative to the prosecution of Treasurer C. H. Bowles, of the State Trust Company, Wilmington, for alleged fraudulent banking operations in the opening of country banks several months ago that stirred such a sensation throughout the country. The Corporation Commission has retained Mr. McNeill to assist Solicitor Norris in the prosecution of Bowles and Demit Lafoon in the Superior Court next week. Lafoon was cashier of the bank at Clairmont that was closed. False reports to the commission and false records are the charges that the two men will be required to answer. Bowles is out under \$10,000 bond, and is understood to be in Wilmington. Messrs. Kitchin & Manning are to be leading counsel for the defense, and the trial is likely to be quite a notable one.

Charters have been issued for the Jefferson Furniture Company, of Washington, N. C., capital, \$25,000 authorized and \$10,100 subscribed, by M. F. Jefferson, E. B. Jefferson, and J. L. Warren, and the Lyric Milling Company, of Cleveland, N. C., capital, \$50,000 authorized and \$8,000 subscribed by J. A. Lyerly, W. R. Little and others.

A Wake County officer, W. R. Timberlake, sent to Durham to-day to get Leco Dunn, a Wake Forest negro, who is wanted in Wake Forest for burglary. Dunn finished a jail sentence two weeks ago, and had been turned out, but had not passed out of the jail yet when Officer Timberlake came up with a warrant charging him with the burglary. The negro made a dash for liberty, scaled the high courtyard iron fence, and got away after a lively street chase.

The new city government announced to-day a remarkable reduction of the death rate in Raleigh for June, the rate being down to 14.3-4 a thousand. This is after the deaths in the State for June, when the death rate had been deducted, these being among sick or aged men brought here from all parts of the State and having no place in estimating the death rate for the city. Increased attention to health conditions, it is insisted, also has been a big factor in reducing the death rate for this city.

NEGRO "ELKS" LOSE
They Are Barred From Use of Name in Ohio.

Dayton, Ohio, July 2.—In a Common Pleas Court decision to-day Judge A. C. Risinger, of Eaton, Ohio, allowed a perpetual injunction order restraining the negro organization known as the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World from making further use of the name of "Elks," or any of the designations or emblematic possessions of the white Elks.

The Elks have a membership of 400,000 in the United States and 22,500 in the State of Ohio.

Woman Is Murdered.
Chicago, July 2.—On a platform in the rear of a store on West Madison Street, the body of a well-dressed unidentified woman, thirty-five years old, was found by a teamster yesterday.

The jugular vein had been severed, and nearby was a clasp knife with a bloodstained blade. Andrew Duffrain, night watchman in the Volunteers of America Hotel, was taken into custody. The police discovered numerous scratches on his right arm. He said he was scratched by a cat.

Diploma for James Wilson.
London, July 3.—The Royal Agricultural Society of England has awarded its honorary diploma of membership to James Wilson, who was Secretary of Agriculture under the McKinley-Roosevelt-Taft administrations, for his services to agriculture.

Odds and Ends From the Wire

MIRACLE IN TONIC WHACK.

Hair Supplants Bald Pate of Victim and

Pittsburgh, July 3.—Hattie Clark, bald-headed and gowned in the latest mode, struck A. F. Wachter, a waiter in a Fifth Avenue cafe, over the bald head with a bottle containing hair tonic, because he failed to serve her promptly. She was arrested. When she appeared before Magistrate Alpern, in the Central Police Court, this morning, the woman glanced toward Wachter and swooned. After a physician had revived her, Miss Clark declared that she had been overcome by the sight of Wachter's full head of hair, which was as bald as a dance floor when she whacked him over the dome last night. She told the court that she had broken a bottle of hair tonic which she was carrying with her over Wachter's head because he had refused to serve her. She pleaded that she be allowed to go, as Wachter had benefited by the blow.

Magistrate Alpern, however, dismissed the handsome young woman's mind by ordering Wachter to remove his toupee, which he did. Miss Clark smilingly paid her \$20 fine.

OFFERS LEG FOR VICTIMS.

West Virginia Would Give It to Fire Sufferers.
Buffalo, July 2.—In a letter to Mayor Louis Fuhrmann, Charles F. Goiner, of Cheering, W. Va., a cripple, offers to part with his leg to aid the victims of the Husted elevator fire, on whose bodies large quantities of skin were crushed.

"My left limb has been of no service to me since it was crushed a number of years ago," says Goiner, "though the skin, according to a specialist, is in a perfectly healthy condition. I would gladly give it to the Husted mill sufferers, with the understanding that the expense of the operation be borne by those engaged in relief and rescue work."

HAS STARRY BANNER.

Washington, July 3.—The Smithsonian Institution has announced that the original Star-Spangled Banner was in the possession of the Smithsonian and had been placed on exhibition in the National Museum. The flag floated over Fort Mifflin on September 13 and 14, 1814, when the British fleet, under Admiral Cockburn, attacked Baltimore. It is twenty-seven feet six inches wide by thirty-two feet ten inches long, and has thirteen stripes and fifteen stars.

The flag that was the inspiration for the famous patriotic song is much faded and torn, but the colors are "still there." It is one of the few flags having fifteen stripes and thirteen stars. It was made before the standardization of the American colors. The flag was kept by

Colonel George Armistead, who was in command at Fort Mifflin, and it was handed down to his grandson, Eben Appleton, of New York, who loaned it to the Smithsonian and finally gave it to the institution.

"RAG" MUSIC FOR CHURCH.
Annoying Turkey Tots on Sabbath May Continue, Says Court.

New York, July 2.—Fred H. Buchler, chairman of the board of directors of the Borough Park Church of the Ascension, was in court as the complainant against M. E. Kitchner, manager of the Borough Park Clubhouse, at Thirteenth Avenue and Fifty-first Street. Kitchner was charged with disorderly conduct in permitting singing and turkey trotting to the accompaniment of the "rag" in the clubhouse on Sunday nights. The clubhouse is diagonally across the street from the church. It appears that a week ago Sunday night the sounds of revelry first broke into the silent and sanctified services of the church. It was very annoying, and the pastor could not be heard from the pulpit.

Chief Magistrate Kemper took the ground that the church people were rather unreasonable. And so there will be turkey trotting at the clubhouse as usual on next Sunday night, and there may be church services.

SERVED GINLESS FIZZES.

Hotelman Tells of Drinks Accused Automobileist Had.
Trenton, July 3.—"Royal fizzes"—gin fizzes without the gin—were the drinks served to Addison Perrine on the night he drove his automobile into a truck and killed Joseph Bernard Wishard, according to testimony of William V. Howell, a hotel proprietor of Edinburg, said he served the ginless drinks at the request of Perrine's companions, who said they wanted to get home and Perrine was driving the car. The fizzes were made of egg, seltzer, cracked ice and sugar, according to the bartender.

LOCATE HEIR TO \$1,200,000.

St. Louis, July 3.—The Post-Dispatch says that through correspondence it has located John O'Brien, of New York, heir to \$1,200,000 and former soccer football star at Columbia University. The newspaper says that he is at Van Buren, Ark., working as assistant engineer for the Missouri Pacific Railroad at \$1,500 a year. O'Brien is quoted as saying he has no desire to resume his former social life in New York.

O'Brien, at the close of his college year at Columbia University in 1910, mysteriously disappeared after borrowing a suit of clothes and a suitcase from a room-mate.

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